

# TOWN and TOWNSHIP

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## HERE AND THERE

A generation ago Christmas was associated with cold weather, abundant snow, skating and sleigh-rides. Since 1900 the seasons have changed and winter does not seem to get under way until after the Christmas holidays.

Nowadays, Christmas is associated with shopping in overcrowded stores, the Yuletide tree, gifts many of which, if you are a woman, you will exchange and a turkey dinner. Christmas giving is so general that nearly all Americans are "broke" when the holiday is over.

Narberth has a splendid volunteer fire company. There are roofers, painters, carpenters and plumbers among the 35 "smoke-eaters." As a result, they know just how—and where to approach a fire with the least amount of damage to the building. In many communities, when a small blaze starts, the damage caused by firemen's axes far exceeds that caused by the flames.

Not so in Narberth. About a year ago, a householder was so delighted by the masterly way in which the fire department extinguished a blaze without ruining his woodwork that he sent Chief Miller's organization a substantial check to show his appreciation of their efforts.

The Narberth firemen are accustomed to work on the outside of buildings and they run up and down ladders like monkeys.

Our turkey story last week called attention to the increasing popularity of turkey meat on American dinner tables. In marked contrast with a decade ago, the demand upon marketmen for turkey is made week by week, and the effect upon the supply is decidedly noticeable. Also the effect upon the price.

This opens up a field for turkey culture and there is no reason why some enterprising person in Montgomery county should not take advantage of it.

"The goose hangs high" was a popular expression in Merrie England of Shakespeare's era. New Years is goose day, according to marketmen. The bird will grace the tables of many homes in Lower Merion Township. In England, Lincolnshire has long been famous as a goose-raising center; on the continent, Hamburg and Bremen produce the best breeds. Few persons know that the goose is a long-lived bird. Some geese live to be 100. In history, geese became famous for saving the citadel of ancient Rome by cackling in the dead of night when the enemy was creeping up a precipitous hillside and about to slaughter the sleeping garrison.

"Ferdinand the Bull" makes his appearance in Narberth shops as a Christmas toy for children. In an era of war and rumors of war, a clever writer produced a book for children which features a ferocious-looking bull of pacifist tendencies. He sits down when a toreador approaches and would rather inhale the perfume of flowers than fight. Walt Disney adopted "Ferdinand" for one of his marvelous films and the pacifist bull is now on his way to world fame.

A bull and bull-fighting is reminiscent of Spain, where one of the most horrible wars in history has been in progress for two years. It is typical of American ingenuity and genius to create a figure that will make the world laugh from a background of dire woe and sorrow.

Christmas indoor displays, elaborate backgrounds for electrical railroads, farm scenes and other rural sets to supplement the Christmas tree, are numerous in Lower Merion Township. Fathers take pleasure in building these sets for their children—and themselves—in some cases spending hundreds, even thousands, of dollars on their handiwork. A man in Bala-Cynwyd is said to have an indoor set which cost him \$2,000. A less elaborate, but handsome, farmyard scene is displayed in Durbin & Howard's window.

It recalls the little boy in a mid-western state who wrote a letter to Santa Claus last week. "Dear Santa," he wrote, "please bring me an electric train—and also bring one for papa." It is no jest that some fathers become so fascinated with these sets that they will not allow the children to touch them.

## NARBERTH LUTHERAN CHOIR



They will sing at the Vesper Choral Service at 5 P. M. Christmas Sunday, assisted by Mrs. Cletus Senft, soprano and John Karl Schaefer, organist. Mrs. J. R. McLaughlin is director. The choristers include: Helen and Charles Eshelman, Dorothy and Jean Senft, Ralph and Dick Blessing, Jack and Mary Bailey, Billy and Shirley Peters, Norma and Greta Salenius, Janet and Joan McLaughlin, Jean and Ann Tripician, Harry and Bob Hoffman, Virginia and Dorothy Basler, Merle and Arlene Albrecht, Marion Jones, Jane Lang, John Hoffman, Bill Thompson, Bob Tripician, Jack Cedarstrom, Bobby Thompson, Lore Krieg, Anna Marie Dempson, Mary Dunlap, Helen Ruessler, Kathryn Bailey, Margie Emz, Nancy Markle, Alexander Johnson.

## Carolers Will Sing Joyously As Christmas Comes To Narberth

Narberth and Lower Merion Township will greet Christmas Day with joyous acclaim and the picturesque customs that have long been popular in American communities.

Carol singers, most of them church members, will go out for two or three hours on Christmas Eve and serenade neighbors with "Holy Night, Silent Night," "Hark the Heavenly Angels Sing," "O Little Town of Bethlehem" and other Christmas anthems. Some carolers will continue their visits from 9 P. M. until midnight; others will sing under the stars till a later hour. This old English custom has prevailed for more than two centuries in Lower Merion Township.

In the windows of scores of Narberth homes candles will burn on Christmas Eve, perpetuating another age-old observance. Candles in every window, in some cases, brightening the house front, giving a warm glow of Christmas cheer to every pedestrian.

Besides the Christmas candles, many residences will have illuminated trees on their lawns, immense pine trees, 18, 20 and 25 feet in height, wired with electric bulbs and contributing handsomely to the Christmas spirit, particularly if snow lies on the ground.

Notably beautiful trees will grace the lawns of J. P. Horlacker, at Essex and Sabine avenues, and the front of Mr. and Mrs. Goldsmith's home, at 1121 Montgomery avenue. The Horlacker tree, is sixteen feet high and the other 18 feet.

Nearly a score of carolers from Narberth Baptist Church will serenade the homes of their friends and fellow members and, about midnight, assemble at the residence of Miss Nancy Simpson, 201 Woodside avenue, for hot chocolate and other refreshment.

Carolers will also go forth from the Methodist Church to serenade the neighborhood, but the Presbyterians will join a carol service that will be conducted at Montgomery Court Apartments. More than 200 carolers, it is expected, will assemble around a 40-foot electrically-illuminated tree and sing for a half-hour with a crowd gathered round to participate in the Christmas music.

And long strings of vari-colored lights will trace the pattern of Haverford avenue, while Christmas anthems from the tower of the old fire house will sweep joyously on the frosty air.

Meanwhile, many homes of needy citizens will have been gladdened by a distribution of Christmas baskets containing good things for a Christmas dinner, in addition to clothing and toys for the children. For weeks the club women and church women of Narberth have labored to obtain the wherewithal to fill these baskets; for weeks husky firemen have visited

from door to door making collections for these baskets. The beauty of Christmas lies in the fact that it stirs in the hearts of men and women a desire to help those who are less fortunate than themselves.

Christmas Sunday will be observed with joyous services in the church, according to the following programs:

### Baptist

In the Baptist Church of the Evangel, at 9:45 o'clock Sunday morning, the Rev. Robert E. Keighton, assisted by the departments, will present the "Christmas Story in Art" at a Christmas service of the Church School. "The Realism of Christmas" will be the pastor's theme at the 11 o'clock morning worship. Henry Hotz, musical director, will conduct a program by the sextet. A Candlelight Communion Service will be conducted at 5 o'clock in the afternoon on New Year's Sunday.

### Catholic

Solemn High Mass will be celebrated in St. Margaret's Church at 6:30 o'clock Christmas morning. Father James F. Toner will be celebrant; Father Michael A. Brown, deacon, and Father B. F. Hamilton, subdeacon. A special musical program will be conducted by children of St. Margaret's chorists.

A carol service will be held on Christmas eve, from 7:30 to 8 o'clock, by St. Andrews-by-the-Wayside Sunday School, in Narberth. A Christmas tree has been erected and there will be instrumental music by the young men. Residents of Narberth will participate in the song service.

### Lutheran

A Christmas Eve Candlelight Service will be conducted at 11 o'clock by the Rev. Cletus A. Senft in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. The pastor will preach on "Gloria in Excelsis" and there will be special music by a brass quartet and the Holy Trinity Choir, under the direction of Miss Margaret Squier, organist. Community carol singing will follow.

On Christmas Day, at 9:45 A. M., a Christmas lesson will be taught in all departments of the Bible School. At 11 A. M. Pastor Senft will conduct morning service with an address on the theme: "Thou Shalt Call His Name, Jesus" and music by the Senior and Junior Choirs. A Vesper Carol Service will be conducted at 5 P. M., with special music by the Junior Choir.

### Methodist Episcopal

In Narberth M. E. Church, the Church School will meet at 9:45 A. M., Christmas Sunday, and a Christmas Worship Service will be conducted at 11, with special music and carols. The Rev. W. Vernon Middleton will preach on "God's Plan for Christmas." A Christmas Candlelight

## Noel Memorial To Be Dedicated Monday

Borough Officials and Prominent Citizens Will Honor Hero

### WILL UNVEIL TABLET

Surrounded by a group of active members of the Narberth Fire Company, Fire Chief John A. Miller will lay a wreath on the grave of former Fire Chief Charles V. Noel tomorrow in West Laurel Hill Cemetery. It will be a fitting preliminary to the unveiling of the Noel Memorial Tablet next Monday morning at 11 o'clock in front of Elm Hall, Narberth.

One year ago next Monday Charles Noel died, following heroic action in fire-fighting. He was a member of the Narberth Fire Company for 28 years and chief engineer from 1913 until his death.

His widow, Mrs. C. V. Noel, will unveil the tablet, following the formal presentation by Fire Chief Miller. Presented by active members of Narberth Fire Company, the memorial is an impressive bronze decorated with a bust of Noel and the fire chief's insignia. It was modeled by Miss Marcella Broudo and in its commanding position on the front of the fire house, will be an artistic contribution to the community.

The invocation will be offered by the Rev. Dr. Archer E. Anderson, pastor of Narberth Presbyterian Church, and there will be addresses by Burgess Frank A. Schrepfer and Tristan B. du Marais, president of Narberth Fire Co. Following the unveiling taps will be sounded by buglers from Lower Merion High School, Donald White and Lawrence Connell.

Roland Fleer, chairman of Public Safety, will accept the plaque for the borough. Dr. Albert C. Barnes, a director of Narberth Fire Company, will make the concluding address, after which Benediction will be offered by the Rev. Father James F. Toner.

The Memorial Committee having charge of the service consists of John A. Miller, Vincent F. Cunningham, George H. Carr, Thomas Merkle, Thomas Casey, Morris Lacey, Earl D. Dickie and Guy Mosteller.

If the weather should be inclement, Fire Chief Miller will have the fire apparatus removed and the memorial service conducted in the large engine room. In all probability, the service will be held in the engine room irrespective of weather.

Death came to Charles V. Noel on

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## Narberth Postoffice Handles Big Xmas Mail

Postmaster Joseph Kelley, of Narberth, reports that his staff has been working at high pressure with the Christmas mail. Employees cancelled 33,000 letters on Tuesday.

The increase over the first two days of last year's "Christmas rush" amounted to 25,074 cancellations.

## Dr. Robert E. Keighton Addresses Rotarians

Addressing the Bala-Cynwyd-Narberth Rotary Club, on Tuesday, the Rev. Robert E. Keighton, of the Baptist Church of the Evangel, gave the members a Christmas greeting from the Rotary Club of Stratford-on-Avon.

Dr. Keighton visited the British Isles last summer.

### Are Fire-Fighters Appreciated?

Referring to gossip connected with the Charles V. Noel memorial service, a thoughtless critic remarked: "Why don't they let the man rest?" Fire Chief John A. Miller challenges that statement. He points out that Noel as former fire chief served the community for more than 25 years, "ready to respond to a call of duty 24 hours of the day, 365 days in the year." And the service was given without remuneration. The point is well taken. Every one should appreciate these plucky fire-fighters who are always at the community's call. It is expected that a large crowd will attend the dedication of the Noel memorial tablet next Monday morning.

### Fire Chief Injured

Fire Chief John A. Miller sprained his right ankle, early Sunday morning while extinguishing a blaze in the home of John A. Robbins, 504 Baird road.

## Dr. Leroy King Re-Elected Head of Education Board



DR. LEROY A. KING

Dr. Leroy A. King, who was re-elected president of the Narberth Board of Education on December 5, has been a member of the Board for 14 years, during which time he served as secretary for six years and president for seven.

R. C. Collins was re-elected vice-president for the coming year at this same meeting.

Other members of the Board include: Dr. Walter Steckbeck, secretary; J. L. McCrery, treasurer, and Mrs. Samuel J. McCartney.

## PEOPLE YOU KNOW

August Bailey, one of Narberth's five policemen—known to most of his friends as "Augie"—teases his associates so unmercifully that they call him "The Itch." He is an enthusiastic fisherman and gunner and—somewhat unusual for a guardian of the law—a philatelist. His collection of stamps is one of the largest in the community.

Katherine Laffen, attractive secretary for Durbin and Howard, loves mystery stories. She follows the Crime Club series with great interest and a good Van Dine tale gives her thrills. In addition to reading mystery stories Miss Laffen loves to swim.

William Muller has selected the "Seven Keys to Baldpate" as the next production of the Narberth Players. The dates are February 3 and 4.

Margaret Strawbridge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Clayton Strawbridge, of "Cotswold," Merion, is one of the most distinctively pretty debutantes of the season and talented as well. She has exceptional ability as an artist and will, in the near future, have a second exhibition of her paintings at the Print Club.

Dr. William G. Walton is sending his friends a Christmas card featuring a winter scene—a photo of his home on Anthwyn road, under a blanket of snow.

Mrs. Ruth Grace, secretary of the Borough Council, will spend Christmas at home with her two children and female relatives. Mrs. Grace, whose daily life is filled with numerous details pertaining to borough affairs, is, in all probability, the busiest woman in the community.

Bill Hays, sexton of St. Margaret's Church, is in Misericordia Hospital, in Philadelphia, with appendectomy. He was operated on Wednesday morning and his many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

John Sullivan, of Gypsy lane, is a member of St. Joseph's Prep basketball team.

The two inseparables of Haverford avenue—always seen together—Miss Jewell McCabe and Miss Janet Young. Smart, classy, attractive belles of the business district.

Nat, of Narberth Economy, says Christmas trees are selling quickly this year. At good prices, too.

Robert Nash, realtor, has been in business 25 years in the little building adjoining the Narberth station. He has offices in Wynnewood and a main office at 1214 Locust street, Philadelphia, with 30 employees in all.

## Rich Lower Merion Leads the Nation

Township's Per Capita Wealth Exceeds Westchester County

### HAS MANY FINE ESTATES

Lower Merion Township! Favored spot of Uncle Sam's domain with its rolling countryside, baronial residences and estates of ample acreage. Westchester County, New York, is often spoken of as the home of New York's millionaires, a realm of concentrated wealth. Comparatively few know that Lower Merion Township, in Southeastern Montgomery county, only a few miles from City Hall, has the largest per capita wealth of any community in the nation.

Here, in a beautiful expanse of country, men and women of Philadelphia's wealthiest families whose names are famous throughout the nation, have their homes. Of course, many of them live beyond the confines of Lower Merion. From Narberth to Bryn Mawr the estates crowd upon one another along the famous Main Line. Families of social distinction, families of great lineage, families of distinguished men and women, family names that were famous in the Eighteen-nineties, but now are tradition except for the beautiful residences they formerly occupied—all are to be found there.

Some two miles north of Narberth, on Conshohocken road, is the estate of Percival Roberts, Jr., formerly associated with the steel industry. It is the largest estate in the district—577 acres—and the house is one of the best examples of the English manor type. Hundreds of pilgrims—in automobiles—flock there in Spring and peer through the narrow gate to get a view of the exquisite rock gardens in front of the house. Until recently Mr. and Mrs. Roberts maintained a herd of some of the finest prize cattle to be found in America. The estate is cared for by thirteen servants, exclusive of farmhands.

The Albert C. Barnes Foundation, in Merion, is one of the show places of the section. The art gallery is nationally famous, second, perhaps—at least in the Philadelphia area—to the private gallery owned by Joseph E. Widener, at Elkins Park. The buildings stand on rising ground surrounded by many acres. It is an impressive vista.

Henry Dolfinger has a smaller estate—about ten acres—at Highland avenue and Old Lancaster road. The family lives in an impressive formal English residence, noteworthy for its landscape gardening. Incidentally, this entire district of rich men's homes is a landscape gardener's paradise.

Passing into Villanova, one sees the beautiful home of the late Clarence H. Geist, at Sproule and Godfrey road. The estate consists of 25 to 30 acres and has a lovely garden.

Colonel Robert L. Montgomery's residence, in Ithan, is probably the largest in this section. In the midst

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## Wentz Rides With Anthony Eden

Walton M. Wentz, 205 Wayne avenue, Narberth, rode with Anthony Eden, British Foreign Minister, on the Pennsylvania Railroad train from Wilmington to Philadelphia.

Wentz, who is publicity man for the railroad, enjoyed conversing with the handsome young diplomat whom all Englishmen regard as a future premier. Eden told him that the constant flashing of newspaper camera bulbs hurt his eyes.

"It is a pleasure to meet a man like Eden," Wentz told his friends. "He is thoroughly democratic, has not a trace of the snob in his make-up. Everything about the railroad and electrification interested him."

## Large Donation at Women's Xmas Party

The Junior Women's Community Club held a Christmas party last night at the Community Building, when a large donation of canned goods was received. Mrs. George J. Albert was in charge of the program and entertainment.

On Tuesday, December 27, the juniors will give a Christmas party for children of members. Mrs. Glenn Williams is the chairman. A puppet show will be given by Mrs. John Flynn and pupils of Miss Marjorie Hoffman will give specialty dances.

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**TOWN & TOWNSHIP wishes you Merry Christmas! And on through Nineteen-hundred-thirty-nine May good fortune on you shine.**

## Christmas

The only values of consequence to be drawn from Christmas Day are those which harken back to that stable in Bethlehem where the Son of Man made His advent on a disordered earth.

And if that same earth continues in its disordered state even to this day, what answer can be made to the charge that this pitiable frustration of humanity can well be laid at the doors of those proud and doubting men who form public opinion and who really count in the large affairs of an allegedly civilized life?

Where was the Gospel of the New Dispensation in the councils of Versailles and where is it in the high places of any land, at least to the extent where everything else will yield to it when grave decisions are being made for human relationships?

The Christian takes the stand that only what he has to offer, his heritage of Divine wisdom, can supply the rescue to a world out of joint, even though he must be acutely aware that his own accountability is very great because of the dilution of saving faith which he has allowed to occur as a result of the compromises which were made in the face of personal loss or personal sacrifice.

And so it is exceedingly well that Christmas comes recurrently to recall to us, in significant ways, that the only genuine consort of happiness is humility, the kind once housed in a stable when there was no room in the inn, and neither should it be overlooked that the highest distinction any man can acquire is to be the servant of servants, for indeed all else is of the vanity that killeth.

## Department Store Deliveries

Some of that stern efficiency which is supposed to spell economy is being attempted by the department stores, with one trucking company making deliveries for nearly all of the large Philadelphia retailers.

The same kind of omnibus service has been employed for several years in other cities, and apparently with satisfaction; but, somehow or other, it does not seem to belong around Philadelphia.

For years, of course, during the holiday season, it has been quite the usual thing to have the stores make deliveries to us well into the night, and with few objections, as we knew the vehicles and we knew the men, and they were invariably welcome visitors amongst us.

The present almost anonymous service, with its uninvited attendants appears to be something quite different and there can be real conjecture as to whether or not it is a change for the better in view of all the rather important aspects involved.

What these aspects are will quickly occur to those who claim to know their Philadelphia, its regard for ritual, tradition and personal service.

# Santa Claus Toy Novelties Shown

## Narberth Merchants Feature Newest Games for Children

### FERDINAND THE BULL

Santa Claus will bring the children several Christmas novelties this year, according to Narberth merchants. Eddie Cantor's game, "Tell It to the Judge," promises to be a favorite. It is played with cards and counters and sells for one dollar. It has several distinctive features.

Walt Disney's "Ferdinand the Bull" has made his appearance in toy stores, and, as a result of the film, it is possible that Ferdinand will press Charlie McCarthy for honors. Last Christmas, Disney's Donald Duck and Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs were in great demand. Now Ferdinand and the Bull steps into the limelight. Disney is the greatest genius of modern times for interesting the children—also millions of grown folks. Incidentally, Ferdinand sells for 50 cents.

Chinese Checkers is another Christmas novelty on the toy counters. It is a checker game, somewhat different from American checkers, and said to be much more interesting. Prices range from 25 cents to one dollar.

Still another novelty is Touch Football, a small football for children and indoor game, the ball made of leather, with rubber hose for inflating. Prices range from 65 cents to 85 cents.

All of these novelties can be purchased at popular emporiums along Haverford avenue.

## Cinema

BY NEOPHYTE

The most recent trend in motion pictures seems to be the advancement of child, or near-child, actors to first positions in stardom. The mere fact that these young players have been enthusiastically received by theater audiences does not lessen our suspicion that adult entertainment has become a little less than adult. But destructive criticism is not our purpose. One of the juveniles is an unusually fine actor, and we think he deserves more mention than he is accustomed to receive. His name is "Sabu," and he will appear at the Narberth Theater this week, in "Drums."

"Sabu" is a dark-skinned Hindu boy, descended, no doubt from those early Europeans who swept over India before our era. He was raised as an elephant boy by the Maharajah of Majore, and two years ago was discovered by Alexander Korda who used him in "Elephant Boy" and now in "Drums." As an actor he is subdued and never commits the unpardonable sin of "mugging." His smile is contagious, and his personality infectious. If he was removed from the maudlin British propaganda that Korda's celluloid factory turns out, he could probably walk away with an academy award.

"The Citadel" comes to the Egyptian screen, next Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Taken from one of the best-selling novels of last year, it has become one of the best-selling movies. It has been selected already as the best motion picture of 1938—its closest rival being "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs." A medical picture, it is unlike other medical films in its accuracy. Its display of surgical technique is thoroughly accurate, and its reproductions of photomicrographs are real. Unusual in stories of young surgeons, there is no unnecessary sentimentality or melodrama. The performances of Robert Donat and Rosalind Russell are irreproachable.

The Egyptian Theater will return stockings filled by Santa to the kiddies tomorrow. The Narberth Theater accepted only canned foods as the price of admission for its matinee yesterday. The proceeds go to the Narberth Volunteer Emergency Relief.

## Santa Claus at the Egyptian Theatre

The huge fireplace erected at the Egyptian Theater for Santa Claus' annual visit is bedecked with children's stockings. They will be returned to the children, filled with gifts, at the Saturday matinee.

"The World's Best Humor" defines marriage as follows: The happy estate which resembles a pair of shears, each part incomplete and useless without the other; so joined they cannot be separated; often moving in opposite directions, yet always punishing anyone that comes between them.

# Narberth Carolers Will Greet Christmas

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Service will begin at 7 P. M.

At 8 o'clock this evening the Sunshine Bible Class will hold a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. A. J. Bawden.

## Presbyterian

A Community Carol Sing will be held in the courtyard of Montgomery Court on Christmas Eve, from 9 to 9:30 o'clock. All churches of the borough will co-operate. Presbyterian young people will go from the community song service to the homes of the shut-ins of our church to sing carols.

On Christmas Sunday the Bible School will meet at 9:45 A. M. At the 11 A. M. morning worship the Rev. Archer E. Anderson will preach on "When Jesus Was Born." Matthew 2:1. Special music will be rendered by the choir and by the Junior Church which will attend the service in a body. At 11 A. M., Children's Nursery will be conducted under the supervision of Miss Tibben.

At 6:45 P. M., Christian Endeavor Meeting. At the Junior Endeavor meeting, Harriet Nold will be the speaker. The Senior and the Young People's Christian Endeavors will hold a joint meeting. Dorothy Tibben will be the leader and Fred S. Wall will have charge of the program. At the 7:45 P. M. evening service, the choir, under the direction of Mrs. W. J. Drennen, with Frederick Wall at the organ, will present "The Story of Christmas," by Matthews. The choir includes: Sopranos, Mrs. C. S. Wilmet, Mrs. Elmer Chubb, Miss Evelyn Irwin, Mrs. Miffin Bunting, Mrs. Ralph Rankin, Miss Kathryn Spencer, Mrs. S. V. Shade, Mrs. John McClintock, Jr., Miss Dorothy Tibben, Mrs. Walton Wentz, Miss Dorothy Wilmet, Miss Jean Havlick; altos, Mrs. Edward Stanley, Miss Nancy Havlick, Mrs. Ruth Nash, Mrs. James Jewell, Mrs. George Woodrow, Miss Florence Irwin, Mrs. Elmer Reynolds; tenors, Edward Stanley, C. M. Tapp, W. J. Drennen, Herbert Hebsacker, Walter Wood and Henry Sparks; bass, A. S. Dierby, Fred Robb, Jr., Ralph Rankin, Chester Tyson, Murdock Caney, Harvey Irwin, Bob McClintock, Edward Hartzell and Ben Marshall.

On Wednesday at the 8 P. M. mid-week service, the pastor will speak on "Looking Backward and Forward," Philippians 3.

The Women's Community Club of Narberth are busily engaged today packing baskets for distribution among shut-ins. Fruit and potted plants are included in these Christmas gifts.

Girl Scouts, represented by their Fellowship Committee, meet today at the home of Mrs. F. H. Floyd to pack Christmas baskets.

The Narberth school children have collected clothing and toys for Christmas distribution. The girls dressed dolls and the boys painted and refurbished worn toys—all for distribution.

The Young Republican Club of Narberth is contributing its offering to the Narberth Emergency Relief.

The Quicksilver Associates will hold their Christmas party next Tuesday at Merion Mansion, Merion.

Christmas Day is a home day, the day on which children arise early to dash down to the gaily-decorated tree to find their gifts; the day of the grand family dinner. It is also a day of visiting, a day of good-will on which men greet even those whom they dislike with a "Merry Christmas."

In the homes of rich and poor there will be family gatherings and numerous informal parties. Relatives will come from far and near to participate in a wonderful turkey dinner. Everybody will exchange gifts and the children will be in a great state of excitement over their new toys.

# EGYPTIAN

BALA-CYNWYD

Matinee Every Day During Holidays

This Friday & Saturday, Dec. 23 & 24

DENNIS O'KEEFE

FLORENCE RICE

VACATION from LOVE

Sun., Mon., Tues. Dec. 25, 26, 27

ROBERT DONAT

THE ROSALIND RUSSELL

CITADEL

\*Will not be shown Tuesday Matinee

Wednesday & Thursday, Dec. 28 & 29

LUIS RAINER

THE GREAT WALTZ

\*Will not be shown Thurs. Matinee

Tues. Mat.—Shirley Temple, "Heidi"

Thursday Matinee

Mickey Rooney, "Hoosier Schoolboy"

# Firemen Collect \$273 for Needy

## Canned Goods, Clothing and Toys Produced by Canvass

### EMERGENCY RELIEF

Splendid work has been accomplished by the active members of the Narberth Fire Company in their Christmas house-to-house canvass and collection for the needy. The committee, of which Harry Hollar is chairman, collected \$273.76 and turned it over to Mrs. Charles Harnden, of the Narberth Volunteer Emergency Relief.

Fire Chief John A. Miller directed the successful canvass. In addition to the cash the firemen obtained five bushels of canned goods, three barrels of clothing and scores of toys, which will be renovated and given to children who, otherwise, might be forgotten by Santa Claus.

Associated with Mr. Hollar in the canvass were George Knapp, Thomas Stenson, Earle Mecke, J. Paul Miller, Guy Mosteller, Richard Blessing, William Super, James Gillespie, William O'Sullivan, Robert Taper, J. Super, Karl Mariani, Jim Hutton, Karl Donnet, Edward Miller, Robert Niepel, Brady Utz, Jr., and Charles Bailey. They began their visits December 3 and finished last Saturday.

Assisting the firemen were members of Boy Scout Troop, No. 2, of which M. C. Bunting is scoutmaster. The scouts included Clarence Long, Jr., Albert Miller, Jr., Jack McCaffrey, Buddy Hewitt, Richard Hanson, Joel Rubincam, Jr., William Webb, Jr., Robert Knapp, Buddy Hanson, George McConnell and Jack Miller.

The Narberth Volunteer Emergency Relief has issued a statement thanking the Active Members' Club of Narberth Fire Company "who made possible the success of our Christmas work this year." The statement continues:

"The Narberth Volunteer Emergency Relief was started eight years ago upon the request of Henry Frye, then Burgess of Narberth. It has continued ever since. Its work is carried on by a board of seven women, one representing each church in the Borough, assisted by four other women. Their effort is devoted to emergency cases and is continued throughout the year."

After naming the firemen and Boy Scouts who participated in the drive, the statement says in conclusion:

"We cannot praise these men and boys too much for their co-operation and assistance. It is never pleasant or easy to collect from door to door, but to have such a drive for others, and not to profit thereby yourself, is most kindly."

"To these solicitors, to the organizations, and to all the people in our fire district who responded so wholeheartedly with their contributions we extend our thanks and gratitude. And to Mrs. Kenneth Boree, Mrs. Stanley Boyle, Mrs. William Schenck and Mrs. Guy Shaver for their loyal support and aid, we are particularly grateful. The Narberth school for their toys, Mrs. George Suplee, Mrs. Ruth Grace and Mrs. George Gillespie for their help deserve special mention."

Far from the wickedness of war, America will enjoy its Christmas amid the blessings of peace—a peace which, all good men hope, will long endure.

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## "Yes, My Darling Daughter" Comes to the Erlanger Theatre

"Yes, My Darling Daughter," a comedy by Mark Reed which scored a year's run on Broadway prior to its first presentation here last season, will open a two weeks' engagement, next Monday at the Erlanger Theatre. Matinees will be held on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

Blanche Yurka, distinguished star of stage and screen, will play the wise and witty mother who finds herself in conflict with an ultra-modern daughter. In addition, the cast will include Charles Bryant, Howard Ferguson, Boyd Davis, Regina Wallace, Doris Day and Georgine Cleveland.

# Noel Memorial to be Dedicated on Monday

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the day after Christmas, 1937, closing a splendid career as fire chief and secretary of the Borough Council. While directing the attack on a conflagration in an attic playroom at the home of Clarence F. Hall, 612 Zollinger Way, Merion, Noel stood on the outside stairway of a rear garage, at 2 o'clock on a Sunday afternoon, handling a chemical line. Caught in a burst of smoke and flame which suddenly surged through the door, he staggered backward, calling to his men to hold the line. A moment later he collapsed and fell down the stairway.

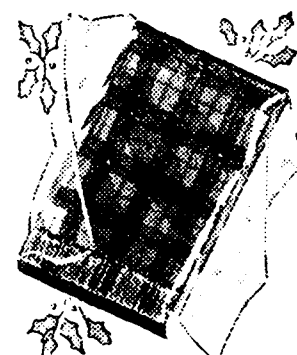
An ambulance conveyed the stricken fire chief to the Bryn Mawr Hospital, where doctors pronounced him dead—the victim of asphyxiation from smoke, with the fall as a contributory cause.

Noel's sudden death was a shock to Narberth and to all Lower Merion Township, as he was highly esteemed and beloved in the community.

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# The Fireside

Mr. and Mrs. D. Robert Baker, of 2099 North 63d street, Overbrook, will give a tea at their home on New Year's Eve. Mrs. Baker will be remembered as Miss Muriel White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. White, of Essex avenue.

Miss Sue Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth M. Wilson, of Dudley avenue, will be the guest of Miss Jeannette Parran, of Baltimore, during Christmas week. She will also visit in Washington, where she will attend a dance at the Navy Yard and also a dinner-dance to be given by Commander and Mrs. L. B. Richardson for their son, Midshipman W. C. Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. McCartney, of Woodside avenue, and their daughter, Miss Lorna McCartney, who has returned from Minnesota College, gave a dinner on Sunday in honor of Dr. Arling Hauge, of Minneapolis, who is taking a course at the University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Samuel McCartney, Jr., has returned from Dickinson College for the holidays.

Cadet and Mrs. George Henry, of the Naval Aviation Station, will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Dothard, of Haverford avenue, for the Christmas holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Dothard's son, Cadet W. I. Dothard, of Naval Aviation Station, Pensacola, is expected to return for the holidays.

Mr. Donald McConnell, a student at Penn State, has returned and is spending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace I. McConnell, of Merion avenue. Mrs. McConnell entertained members of her club at bridge on Monday evening.

Miss Ida Buckman, of Shirley road, will give a Christmas party at her home next Wednesday for the members of the Fortnightly Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Haws, of Dudley avenue, will entertain at a family dinner on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Claghorn, of Chestnut avenue, will have as their guest for part of the holidays, Mrs. Claghorn's mother, Mrs. F. E. Ottinger, of Ocean City.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Horlacher, of Essex avenue, will entertain at a family dinner on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCulloch, Jr., of Baltimore, who spent several weeks at the Merion, in Bryn Mawr, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, on Monday, December 19.

Mrs. McCulloch, is the former Miss Eleanor Sausser, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Emerson R. Sausser, of Wynnewood, and the niece of Miss Florence L. Sausser, of Narberth Hall.

Mrs. Verna R. Woodcock, of Montgomery avenue, returned on Monday from Altoona, where she visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Dougherty.

Miss Louise Woodcock returned from Hood College on Wednesday.

Mrs. J. L. Minick, of Windsor avenue, spent several days in New York this week, where she met her friend, Mrs. George Anger, of Preston, England, who returned on the S. S. "Laconia."

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hackert and their son, Mr. James Hackert, of White Plains, N. Y., will be the guests of Mrs. Hackert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orlo E. Hall, of Narberth Hall, for Christmas week.

Mrs. George Springer, of Stone Harbor, N. J., will spend the Christmas week-end with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark and their daughter, Lucille, will spend the New Year's week-end at Onawa Lodge in the Poconos, where they will attend the winter sports.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Speck, of Woodbine avenue, will entertain at a family dinner on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Speck gave a dinner last evening in honor of Mrs. Speck's niece, Miss Betty Schuyler Briggs, daughter of Mrs. David A. Ferro, of the Mayfair, Germantown, and Mr. Edward Deming, Jr., whose marriage will take place on Tuesday, December 27, at 4 o'clock in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Germantown.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Izard, of the Parkview Apartments, will have as their guests for the Christmas week-end, Miss Peggy Lenox, of N. Y., and also their son, Mr. Ralph A. Izard, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. William Baily Goodall, of Dudley avenue, will entertain at a family dinner on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald F. Torrey, of Wynnewood, formerly of Narberth, are entertaining at a small dinner at home tonight in honor of their son, Mr. Carl G. Torrey, before the meeting of the Friday Evening Dancing Class at the Barclay.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cabrey, of Windsor and Narberth avenues, will entertain at a family dinner on Christmas Day.

## WYNNEWOOD

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson C. Huber, of Wister road, will entertain at dinner next Monday evening before the meeting of the Saturday Evening Dancing Class, in honor of their daughter, Miss Caroline Huber.

Mrs. Thomas G. Ashton, Redleaf, will give a large family dinner on Christmas Day.

Miss Betty MacKnight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. MacKnight, of

Woodleigh, will leave on Sunday for Daytona Beach, Florida, where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. Reed Knox. The engagement of Miss MacKnight to Mr. Reed Knox, Jr., has been announced.

Mr. Alfred W. Putnam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Putnam, of Berwind and Minden way, has returned from Harvard for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Mary Hopkins, debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johns Hopkins, of "Tavistock," was among the guests at a luncheon last Tuesday given by Mrs. Henry B. Plant, of New York, in honor of her debutante daughter, Miss Mary Ellen Plant.

Miss Eleanor Philler, debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Winsor Philler, of Gypsy lane, entertained at dinner on Saturday night before the Headdress Ball at the Bellevue-Stratford.

## MERION

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wells Freeman, of North Bowman avenue, will entertain at a Dutch Treat party at their home on New Year's Eve.

Dr. and Mrs. Garth Boericke, of Kenilworth road, will entertain at dinner on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Cochrane, of York Lynne Manor, are leaving today for Miami Beach, where they will be the guests of Mrs. Cochrane's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bigelow.

Captain and Mrs. Stephen C. Rowan, of South Latches lane, entertained at dinner on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Vare, of Latches lane, returned recently from a two-weeks' visit to South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Mottern, of Kenilworth road, will leave on Saturday for Washington, where they will remain until after New Year's.

Miss Ernesta Drinker, debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Drinker, Jr., of Merion road, has as her guest for several days, Miss Joan C. Sanford, daughter of Mrs. Crocker Sanger, of New York. They attended the ball given at the Bellevue-Stratford, last evening, by Mr. and Mrs. Eckley B. Cox, 3d, of Haverford, to introduce their daughter, Miss Elizabeth W. Cox.

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JUST in time for the bird of the day would be one of those portable electric roasters that can fulfill so many needs. Broiling and frying units can be bought as extra features for many of the nukes. Mother will find that such a gift will be a real future labor saver. A Proctor at \$24.95 has detachable broiler built into the lid and automatic oven control. A Westinghouse at \$24.95 with broiler, among other features, has cooking dishes that lift out. These may be aluminum or glassbake as you wish. A Nesco with broiler-griddle at \$28.00 is equipped with a removable cooking well, a bake rack and cookie sheet. Small, compact, easy to handle, any of these makes will prove welcome household additions. At electrical dealers and electric companies.



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Mrs. John Howard Lawson and her daughter, Miss Margaret V. Lawson, of Berkley road, will entertain at a bridge party on January 7 at the Sedgeley Club, in honor of Miss Mary R. Timanus, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Herbert Timanus, of Chestnut Hill, whose engagement to Mr. John L. Block, Jr., of Chestnut Hill, has been announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Goodman, Jr., of Hazelhurst road, will entertain At Home on New Year's Day from 4 until 7 o'clock.



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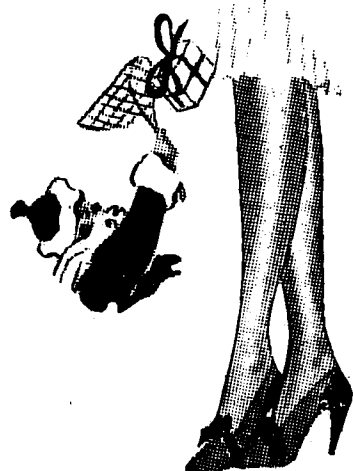
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## Steady Progress at The Autocar Plant

### Cars Were Exported in Quantities to Many Countries in Old and New Worlds

Even though the recession of 1938 compelled reductions in time and in payrolls at the Autocar plant, in Ardmore, nevertheless it was a year of steady progress in extending the sales frontiers wherever possible, which means the winning of new customers against the keenest competition. That included the development during that year of new export business in remote parts of the world which had never previously been reached by Autocar trucks. Leaving out certain exceptional sales which developed from conditions of warfare, and therefore were not indicative of a normal market, Autocar trucks were exported in quantities during 1938 to Roumania, Palestine, Arabia, India, Holland, Cuba and South Africa. In addition, new sales outlets were developed in Canada.

These export sales included trucks of various sizes and types, but especially notable among them were orders for unusually large and powerful units which were equipped for exploratory operations in rough countries where there are no highways and where the trucks themselves must convey into the interior, from a coastal base of supplies, all of the mechanical materials and also all of the food and water for the members of the party of prospectors.

The general public, in its anxious scrutiny for something new to help lift the country out of the recession, appears to have been much impressed by the possibilities of the application of Diesel engine power to automotive vehicles. People having nothing to do with automotive manufacture have been frequently asking Autocar executives questions about Diesel engines in casual conversations during the past year. Therefore, it may be of interest to the local community to know that the Autocar Company has been equipping chassis, as ordered, with Diesel engines for more than two years, and that at least 300 heavy-duty Autocars, equipped with Diesel engines, are operating on the Pacific coast. In fact, the "Autocar-Diesel" nameplate is now a well-known trademark on the public highways of the West. In addition to the large number of Autocar-Diesels now operating on the Pacific Coast, export sales included many more during 1938.

The Autocar Company was a prominent exhibitor at the National Truck Show in New York City, in November, and was the only manufacturer showing heavy-duty trucks exclusively. The Autocar exhibit there featured a new Model URL which was developed during the year, and also an Autocar-Diesel which was particularly designed for heavy-duty dump work here in the East.

As a manufacturer of heavy-duty trucks, many of which are custom built to meet the requirements of the largest and most exacting corporations in the United States, it is neither necessary nor desirable for the Autocar Company to develop entirely new sets of models each year, as is the

common practice with manufacturers of automobiles and of small trucks. On the contrary, engineering and metallurgical research are in progress at the Autocar factory all of the time and, as new methods, materials or design are developed, they are promptly applied to current production as soon as they have been adequately tested. Fluctuations in the sales volume, under the influence of general economic conditions, have no direct bearing on the progress of new development at the Autocar factory.

While it is true that several new models have been developed during the past six months, and are just now coming onto the market, it is really more important to report that there was during 1938 no interruption of the progressive improvements whereby the Autocar product is kept constantly in the lead.

During the final quarter of 1938, there was a slow but steady improvement in the volume of Autocar sales, and the outlook for the new year at the Autocar factory reflects the general improvements which all forecasters are now predicting for business as a whole.

### Mrs. Henry T. Brown Dies; Well Known in Narberth

Mrs. Henry Tatnall Brown, wife of the Dean of Haverford College and former president of Lower Merion-Narberth Council of Republican Women, died on Monday at her residence, 1 College lane, Haverford, after a year's illness. She was the former Mary Miller Fisher, daughter of Ex-Governor John S. Fisher. In addition to her father, she is survived by a brother, Robert M. Fisher, of Indiana, Pa.

Before her marriage, which took place in 1927 at the executive mansion in Harrisburg, she christened Hannah Penn House, 17th and Locust streets, Philadelphia, for the Republican Women of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Brown was president of St. Nicholas Day Nursery, secretary of the Cosmopolitan Club, former treasurer of the Needlework Guild and was active in the Art Alliance and Republican Women of Pennsylvania.

Born 40 years ago in the Fisher homestead in Indiana, Pa., she was graduated from Goucher College, Baltimore, in 1922.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from 1820 Chestnut street, with private interment in the Friends' Southwestern Burying Ground, Upper Darby.

### Narberth Bridge Club

Wednesday afternoon, December 14: Top score, Mrs. Ward Pierson and Mrs. Frank McEnanem; second place, Mrs. Eberhardt Mueller and Miss Anna V. Foley.

Saturday, December 17: Top score, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur R. Cooney; J. H. Baker and H. I. McConnell.

Monday, December 19: Top score, Mrs. Frank M. McEnanem and C. A. Hammer; second place, William Greenwood and Mrs. E. F. MacBride.

### DR. WALTON SAYS—

The eyes of the world are strained, trying to peer into the future.

## Girl Scouts

The Christmas party of Troop 125, last Monday evening, was a great success. One patrol gave an interesting play taken from a Dutch story which showed how much happier Christmas can be when well-to-do families share with the needy. Selma Breslow wrote the play and coached the girls in their roles.

"The Little Match Girl," which was adapted by Mila Ashodian, was also presented.

Games were played while refreshments were prepared. Fruit punch, home-made cake and candy were served.

Two mock radio skits were given at the Boulevard Theatre, in Brookline, Wednesday night, by Oakmont Troop, 33, of the Main Line Girl Scouts. Both were written by Helen Welker, leader of Troop 33. In the first, Desiree Young and Mildred Rice were the players. The cast of the second sketch included Margery Hughes, Butch McSmutch, Janet Wasson and Jean Zirkman.

Mrs. Anne Darville, Miss Lucille Clarke, Dramatics chairman of Main Line Girl Scouts, was in charge.

### PENN VALLEY

Mr. and Mrs. W. Morgan Churchman, of Old Gulph road, Penn Valley, are entertaining at a small dinner this evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Russell Boles and their debutante daughter, Miss Mary Laird Boles, will entertain informally on New Year's afternoon in honor of Miss Ann Hallowell, debutante daughter of Mrs. J. Wallace Hallowell, of Merion.

### Miss Woodward, Chairman

Miss Florence A. Woodward, of Upland road, Merion, has been elected general chairman of Junior Week activities at Immaculate College, Immaculate, Pa.

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Boys of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades sang "I Love the Winter," and first grade pupils recited "Good Morning, Baby Jesus." A series of Christmas carols by the sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls. In conclusion, eighth grade pupils presented a tableau. The First Christmas of the Holy Family. The coming of the Shepherds. Three Holy Kings and Little Children. Each child received a gift.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts  
Minnesota State Highway Department, St. Paul, Minnesota

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County of Erie, Buffalo, New York  
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City of Duluth Fire Department, Minnesota  
Town of Elma, Erie County, New York  
City of Franklin, New Hampshire  
Good Will Fire Company, Hyde Park, Pennsylvania  
Haverford Township, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania  
Langhorne Fire Company, Langhorne, Pennsylvania  
City of Lawrence, Massachusetts  
City of Leominster, Massachusetts  
Linghocken Fire Company, Wycombe, Pennsylvania  
Town of Lockport, New York  
City of Los Angeles, California  
Lower Merion Township, Ardmore, Pennsylvania  
Town of Mansfield, Massachusetts  
Marple School District, Broomall, Pennsylvania  
City of New Rochelle, New York  
City of New York, N. Y.  
Town of Ohio, Herkimer County, New York  
Town of Perth, New York  
Red Hill Fire Company, Red Hill, Pennsylvania  
Town of Rhinebeck, New York  
City of Rochester, New York  
City of St. Louis, Missouri  
City and County of San Francisco, California  
Town of Saratoga, Schuylerville, New York  
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With more than 3,000 members registered in Narberth Community Library, out of an estimated total population of 5,500, this community enjoys one of the highest percentages of literacy and culture in the country. Upwards of 10,000 books are on the shelves of the attractive library building on Windsor avenue and Miss Clara Follette, librarian, is kept busy attending to numerous demands of her patrons.

"The increase of public interest in non-fiction books is little short of amazing," Miss Follette told a representative of TOWN and TOWNSHIP. "Five or six years ago librarians were wondering how in the world they could get biographies off their shelves. Today, our problem is to obtain enough biographical volumes to supply the demand."

"It seems to be due to the latter-day treatment of biographical writing. Our modern writers have injected romance and pep into their stories. In the last century, biographies were rather stodgy; nowadays, they read like a modern novel. As a result, a tremendous demand for these true stories of prominent men and women of the past has been created."

Next to biographies, books on the current situation in Europe are in greatest demand, according to Miss Follette, who has been librarian for the past six years. American citizens are vitally interested in what Hitler, Mussolini and the Japanese war lords are going to do next. They are concerned over a possible attack upon this country, and eagerly read every book on the subject that can be obtained.

"Among young people, there is an incessant demand for mystery and detective stories," Miss Follette continued. "And the same is true of many adult readers. The mystery story is a great favorite with the American public. From young girls and women, I should say that the popular demand is for love stories. Women appear to be romantically inclined."

"Fanny Kemble," "Horse and Buggy Doctor," "With Malice Toward Some" and Anne Lindbergh's "Listen, the Wind" were cited by the librarian as four of the most sought-after new books at this holiday season.

Young people of high school age are kept busy during the fall, winter and spring with school reading—books which they must pursue in connection with their studies—but during the summer they give full play to their love for mystery, adventure, love and romance.

A Reading Club for younger boys and girls—ranging from six to 12 years—takes the young people on a "Journey Round the World," giving them books dealing with the most important countries. Each child is given a map and a gold star is affixed thereon after he, or she, has read a book dealing with one of the countries. The Parent-Teachers' Association co-operates with Narberth Community Library in this splendid educational course.

Assisting Miss Follette in catering to the cultural needs of Narberth are Miss Betty Mills, first assistant, and two part-time assistants, Mrs. Helen Doershuks and Mrs. Katherine Free-riks.

## H. A. Frye and Others Get Legion Posts

Eighteen Main Liners get posts in the Ninth District American Legion, according to Raymond Hemmerly, district commander.

Henry A. Frye, of Narberth, a member of Harold D. Speakman Post, was named to the Boy Scout Committee, and Frank S. Challenger, Narberth, a member of the same post, was appointed to the Community Service Committee. Appointments in the Emergency Unit Committee included Walter P. Miesen, of Narberth Past Commander of the Harold D. Speakman Post; Robert M. Town, of Narberth, Membership Committee; Chas. J. Clarke, Merion Park, Safety Committee; Robert B. Moore, Cynwyd, member of the Thomas D. Vandiver Post, Deputy District Commander, Harold W. Scott, Merion, Past Commander of the Merion Post and vice-president of the Pennsylvania Company, and Harold L. Reese, of Wynnewood, Past District Commander and a member of the Bullock-Sanderson Post, Ardmore, were appointed to the District Executive Committee. Earl Hepburn, of the Merion Post, was appointed to the Resolutions Committee.

## Visiting The Shops by Dorothy Dare

I have a penchant for odd things because they give one a means of expressing their personality, especially in the home. Stopped into Mrs. Norman Jefferies' shop on Haverford avenue and I was at home, for everything was so unusual! My eye fell on a white modernistic shaped Christmas tree set on a red metal base. On closer observation I discovered it was a candle—the tree was made of wax. The base was a tray. I would use it on the mantle piece or the table, or better still in the window—for who doesn't thrill to the warm glow of a burning candle in the window at Christmas time? They come in white or red, and are priced at \$1.00. The Poinsettia plants I saw there were gorgeous and at only 75c up.

Volumes have been written I suppose—or at least spoken—about a good cup of coffee. Here's the secret... a Cory Coffee Brewer with the new glass filter rod. The Majestic Electric Shop, on Haverford avenue, sell them, and the four-cup size that you can use right on your gas stove, is priced at \$2.45.

The men folk always appreciate the old stand-bys, even if they don't always say so. The new Botany Scarf and Tie set, displayed by the Narberth Men's Shop, on Narberth avenue, and boxed for Christmas gift giving, is stunning. They are in authentic Scotch plaids... all wool, and wrinkle-proof. The set is priced at \$2.50. Another stand-by: Handkerchiefs in white or color at \$1.00 a box of three.

Birthday rings suitable for Christmas gift giving can be seen at the Narberth Jewelry Shop, on Haverford avenue (husbands and boy friends take note). Their selection is fine and for those whose birthday falls this month there is the "Zircon," set in solid yellow gold mounting at \$8.00. For January birthdays it's the "Garnet"... same mounting... at \$10.00.

Narberth Pharmacy, on Haverford avenue, have an adorable "Evening In Paris" cosmetic set, beautifully boxed in a blue and silver color scheme. The set includes a compact, face powder, lip stick, perfume and talcum... priced at \$5.00.

For the perplexed why not give a two-slice Toaster? Ricklin's Hardware store have them priced at \$12.50. Their toy department is attracting many. They have a movie projector with film for 98c; and streamlined Velocipedes at \$3.98.

## Dr. Chevalier Jackson to Address Community Club

Dr. Chevalier Jackson, of Temple University Medical School, will address the Women's Community Club of Narberth on "Using the Bronchoscope" on January 3. Mrs. Robert F. Hunger, who was technician at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital until her marriage last May, spoke on the "Autobiography of Dr. Chevalier Jackson," and showed original sketches made by Dr. Jackson, who is an artist. He is ambidextrous and uses a bronchoscope with one hand while he sketches with the other.

## O. Paderewski!

A well-known society woman wrote to Paderewski for a "lock of hair." She received this reply:  
Dear Madam—M. Paderewski directs me to say that it affords him much pleasure to comply with your request. You fail to specify whose hair you desire, so he sends samples of that of his valet, cook, waiter, and also from a mattress belonging to Mr. Pullman, proprietor of the coach in which he traveled in America."

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## In Short —

Charles Harnden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Harnden, of Montgomery Court Apartments, Narberth, has returned from the University of North Carolina, where he is a student for the holidays.

Chief John A. Miller, of the Narberth Fire Company, has received a dozen discarded overcoats from the Lower Merion Police Department, which he plans to distribute among his fire-fighters when cold weather arrives.

Charles H. A. Chain, president of the Lower Merion Rod and Gun Club, conducted a social evening on Wednesday evening in the Legion Room. Prizes were awarded for the largest fish caught during the season.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Muller, of Narberth, will leave for Long Island tomorrow to spend the weekend with relatives.

Percy H. Clark, Jr., of Bala-Cynwyd, has been appointed vice-chairman of the Main Line Division of the United Campaign.

William G. Walton, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. William G. Walton, of 417 Anthony road, Merion, is home for his Christmas vacation. Mr. Walton is studying to be an eye doctor at the Pennsylvania State College of Optometry, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. R. McLaughlin, Narberth music instructor, entertained her rhythm bands at 3 P. M. yesterday at a Christmas party in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

The soccer champions of Lower Merion High School were entertained in the school gym on Wednesday night.

Parker Woolmington, senior at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill., is home for the Christmas holidays. He is accompanied by a classmate, Sanders Campbell, of Seattle, Wash.

Trustees of the Narberth Community Library will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, January 10, at 7:30 P. M., in the Library.

Mrs. Daniel G. Sullivan, of Champaign, Illinois, is visiting her mother, Mrs. George Burgess, of Hampden avenue, for two weeks. Mrs. Sullivan is the former Miss Sarah Burgess.

## Miss Bonniwell's Marriage

The marriage of Miss Eleanor Mary Bonniwell, daughter of Judge Eugene C. Bonniwell, of Philadelphia, to Mr. John David Hoseny, will take place on Friday morning, December 30, at 10 o'clock, in St. Matthias Church, Cynwyd.

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## Rich Lower Merion Leads the Nation

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of its 1500 acres is a large home, a private golf course and swimming pool that are envied by those who can afford to have handsome swimming pools and golf courses. The Colonel's daughter, Mrs. Edgar Scott, is a noted horsewoman. In fact, this love of horses runs in the family. Another daughter was seriously injured by a fall from her mount a few months ago.

Returning to Wynnewood, one is impressed by Mrs. Alexander Henry Carver's superb place on North Wynnewood avenue. Surrounded by two and one-half acres, the Carver home is modest—as homes of the wealthy go—but extremely attractive and noted for its interior decoration. There is a greenhouse with several reflecting pools and in season the place is profuse with rhododendron and laurel blooms. The house is a fine Colonial edifice.

J. Randall Williams, Jr., of the Curtis Publishing Company, also lives in Wynnewood. He houses among other attractions on his estate a dozen imported pheasants—some say they are Chinese pheasants—the most glorious-colored birds imaginable. Mr. Randall highly prizes these superb specimens.

Not far away, on Gilpin road, is the home of Herbert H. Stewart, whose English bull terriers are en-

vied by every dog fancier. Not long ago, Mr. Stewart imported from England a coal black English bulldog, which experts say is the only one in the United States. His comparatively modest home is well protected from burglars.

In Cherry lane—what a pretty name—stands the old Lippincott Estate, which was purchased by William L. McLean, Jr., of the Evening Bulletin, within the past year. It is a large estate, extremely well planted. There is a private pool and stream stocked with trout, also a formal garden, swimming pool and tennis court that arouse the envy of wealthy visitors. On this estate are cherry trees that are the glory of the countryside when in bloom and many magnificent evergreens. A quaint little summer house stands in the midst of this ver-nal grandeur.

President William H. Muller and Mrs. C. Arley Farmer, of the Narberth players, were judges of radio skits of the Oakmont Girl Scout Troop, No. 33, last Wednesday night, in the Boulevard Theatre, Brookline.



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The annual meeting of the stockholders of The National Bank of Narberth for the election of Directors and the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting will be held at said Bank on Tuesday, the 10th day of January, A. D. 1939, at 4:30 P. M.

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It is seldom that they get together with the two brothers who are with our company, namely, Calvin, right-of-way representative, Harrisburg, and Jim, an installer in the Main Line district.

Calvin has been in the telephone business 32 years and is the baby of the family in point of service. Jim will celebrate his 37th anniversary this month. Both brothers started in the business as climbers.

In all, five of the six Miller brothers have seen service in the Bell System. The fifth one—Robert—resigned after a brief career to go into private business in Harrisburg.

### Tennis Stars, Budge And Vines, to Combat

Ray Fabiani, internationally known promoter, announces a world tennis championship match between De Budge and Ellsworth Vines in Convention Hall, Thursday, January 5. In the first singles duel, Dick Skeen of Hollywood, instructor of screen actors and actresses, will cross rackets with Bruce Barnes, of Kenyon College, former national professional champion. The contest, which starts at 8:30 P. M., will be followed by the feature match between Budge, 1938 world amateur champion, and Vines, 1938 world professional championship titleholder. The feature will commence at 9:30 o'clock, and in the concluding test Vines will pair with Barnes against Budge and Skeen.

In the meantime, Michael Kelly, editor of the Pennac News, is completing preparations for the Budge luncheon at the Penn Athletic Club, December 22.

### Albrecht Nurseries Gets Board's Approval

Conrad Albrecht, of the Albrecht Nurseries, has received permission from the Narberth Board of Adjust-

ment to erect a glass show room at Montgomery avenue and Meeting House lane.

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Only the name of that Galilean wayfarer, the mother, and the ONE cradled in the manger that night, have come down through the drifted centuries. The rest do not so much as whisper out of the dust.

To that birth in the lowly age of its most beautiful holiness, celebrated with exchange of happy greetings, hearts of mankind thrill with good cheer. The poor are re- and for a day people generally best there is in their hearts.



stable the World has paid homage, occasioned as it is by carols, oration, feasting and the for throughout the Land the thoughts of friendliness and membered with baskets of food try to live more nearly up to the

Unfortunately, the merry greetings and generous remembrances are quickly forgotten and the thoughts of mankind soon revert to that same attitude as those who slept in comfortable unconcern in the Inn that night; an attitude all too often accompanied by selfishness and poverty, heartaches and bitterness.

Occasionally I like to express my faith in work as the universal cure for the ills of mankind. I do this even at the risk of becoming the target of the sneers of those cynical people who pretend work is only for the stupid. Rarely indeed do we find unhappiness in the lives of busy people. Let a man get himself deeply engrossed in his work, let him close his desk weary and tired, and you will have a man who sleeps soundly and who rises in the morning, smiling and eager for another day of activity and helpfulness.

For the star which led the Wise Men still signals its Hope, and the Christmas spirit must ever remain as a Sign and Token of what Life could be, if Mankind would continually practice the rule of Him who was cradled in the Manger:

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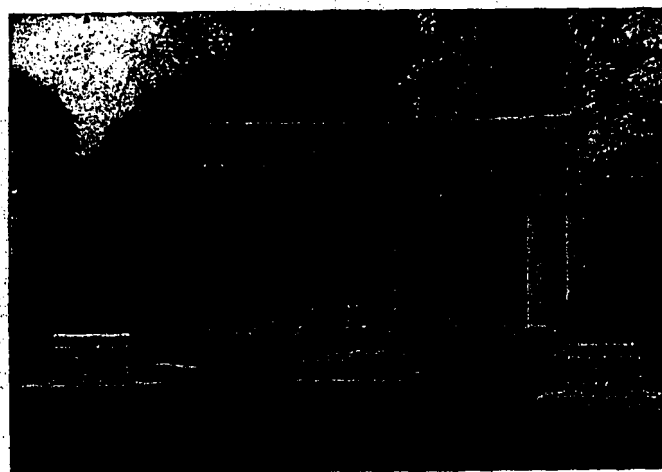
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